



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Homicide (Reward offering)**

**Alameda, CA** (June 8, 2010) – On December 2, 2009, approximately 8:57 p.m., the Alameda Police Department received a call from a relative requesting a welfare check on a family member not seen in a few days. Police officers responded to the residence in the 100 block of Parfait Lane and discovered Darin Gregory Vinall murdered from an apparent gunshot wound. To date, no arrests have been made.

Julie Vinall, widow of slain Darin Vinall, is announcing today, that she is personally offering a \$25,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for Darin Vinall's death.

Ray Vinall and Gail Riddle, parents of Darin Vinall, are also personally offering a second, separate reward offer of \$25,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for Darin Vinall's death.

For specific details of the reward offers, go to the Alameda Police Department's web site at [http://www.ci.alameda.ca.us/police/press\\_release.html](http://www.ci.alameda.ca.us/police/press_release.html) and read the entire text for each reward.

**The Alameda Police Department is asking for help from the public for any information that would be helpful in solving this homicide. Anonymous tips about this case can be called in at 510-TEL-A-COP (510-835-2267).**

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**REWARD OFFER**

Darin Gregory Vinall's dead body was found December 2, 2009 in his home in Alameda, California. Police have classified his death as a homicide. To date no arrests have been made.

Darin Vinall's widow, Julia Vinall is offering a Twenty-Five Thousand Dollar (\$25,000.00) reward for information directly leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for Darin Vinall's murder. Any information about Darin Vinall's murder should be directed to the Alameda Police Department's tip line at 510-TEL-A-COP (510-835-2267).

The maximum amount of reward to be paid shall be \$25,000. If multiple parties provide information qualifying under the terms of this reward, the reward shall be apportioned among the providers of the information, according to the relative value of the information in solving the crime.

A person seeking the reward will not qualify for the reward if the person or persons responsible for Darin Vinall's murder have already confessed or surrendered, or the information provided was already known to investigators with the Alameda Police Department. Nor will a person seeking the reward qualify for the reward if he or she was involved in Mr. Vinall's murder. Any person claiming the reward must provide information that directly leads to both the arrest *and* the conviction of the person(s) responsible for Darin Vinall's death. No reward will be paid for information that leads only to an arrest but no conviction.

If one or more persons responsible for Darin Vinall's murder are convicted thereof, yet the Alameda Police Department or Alameda County District Attorney's Office determines that another person or other persons also responsible for the murder has not or have not been convicted, the amount of the reward shall be proportionate to the level of culpability of the person or persons who was or were convicted due to the information provided by the qualifying individual(s).

Ms. Vinall has placed \$25,000 in a bank account at the Broadway Branch of Comerica Bank in Oakland, California. This account is designated solely for holding the reward money. The reward money will be paid based upon a determination – made at the sole discretion of M. Gerald Schwartzbach, Esq., after consulting with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office and the Alameda Police Department – that information satisfying the conditions of this offer has been provided. If Mr. Schwartzbach determines that more than one person qualify for a reward, he shall have sole discretion, after consulting with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office and the Alameda Police Department, to determine the proportion of the reward to be paid to each qualifying person. If one or more individuals qualify for a reward based upon the

conviction of one or more persons, and another person or other persons responsible for the murder has not or have not been convicted, Mr. Schwartzbach shall have sole discretion, after consulting with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office and the Alameda Police Department, to determine the amount of the reward to be paid to the qualifying individual(s).

Ms. Vinall reserves the right to terminate this offer at any time, provided, however, that this offer shall remain open and irrevocable as to any information received by the Alameda Police Department prior to public communication of revocation of the offer.

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Darin Gregory Vinall's body was found Dec. 2, 2009 in his home in Alameda. Police classified his death as a homicide. To date no arrests have been made.

Ray Vinall and Gail Riddle, parents of Darin Gregory Vinall, are offering a \$25,000.00 reward for information leading to the apprehension, arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for Darin's murder. Any information about Darin's murder should be directed to the Alameda Police Department Tip Line at 510-TEL-A-COP (510-835-2267.)

The information given must be adequate and provided in a timely manner. A person seeking the reward will not qualify for the reward if the criminal has confessed, surrendered or the information provided was already known to investigators with the Alameda Police Department. The maximum amount of reward to be paid shall be \$25,000. If multiple parties come forth with information, such reward shall be apportioned fairly among the providers of the information.

The person claiming the reward must provide information that leads to both the arrest *and* the conviction of the person(s) responsible for Darin's death. No reward will be paid for information that leads only to an arrest but no conviction.

Upon request, the full amount of the \$25,000 reward will be transferred into an account to be set up in Darin's name at the Wells Fargo South Shore Branch in Alameda. Proof of such funds will be provided to the person seeking to claim this reward. Thereafter, the release of the reward money will be released upon a determination by the Alameda County District Attorney's office that the provider has complied with the conditions of this offer. To submit your request, send your contact information to "VinallReward@gmail.com."

The persons making this offer of reward reserve the right to terminate this offer at any time; provided, however, that this offer shall remain open and irrevocable following the date upon which qualifying information is provided.